

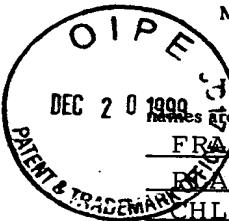
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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled DNA FRAGMENT CARRYING TOLUENE MONOOXYGENASE GENE, RECOMBINANT PLASMID, TRANSFORMED MICROORGANISM, METHOD FOR DEGRADING CHLORINATED ALIPHATIC HYDROCARBON COMPOUNDS AND AROMATIC COMPOUNDS, AND METHOD FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION,

the specification of which  is attached hereto  was filed on October 29, 1999 as United States Application No. or PCT International Application No. 09/430,029 and was amended on October 29, 1999 (if applicable).

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